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AMENDMENT

Asst. Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, rewrite the first full paragraph as follows:

--The present invention relates to a cartilage and bone morphogenetic repairing material for the treatment of bone fracture and bone defect. In more detail, this invention is concerned with the cartilage and bone morphogenetic repairing composition which contains a polyoxyethylene-polyoxypropylene glycol and a bone morphogenetic protein.--

Page 3, rewrite the second full paragraph as follows:

--It is an object of the invention to provide a cartilage and bone morphogenetic repairing composition, which can overcome the prior art disadvantages or drawbacks as discussed above, which have a high bio-absorption and a good affinity to the active ingredient or a bone morphogenetic protein, and which show the sustained disposition of a bone morphogenetic protein by causing a